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In re application of: Hirokazu KANEKIYO et al. Serial No.: 09/986,390 Filing Date: November 08, 2001 For: NANOCOMPOSITE MAGNET AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME	Art Unit: 2836 1742 Examiner: Unknown Sheehan
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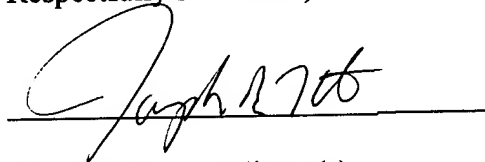
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith are copies of three (3) references cited in the enclosed search report issued in a corresponding Japanese patent application. For the Examiner's convenience, we have enclosed an English translation of the Japanese search report and a completed Form PTO-1449. The statement is not a representation that all of the information cited is necessarily effective as prior art against the application.

Applicants respectfully request that the disclosed reference be made of record in the subject application

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Respectfully submitted,

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